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Professional Services Digital Tools

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AGENDA

INTRODUCTION /
BACKGROUND

DEVELOPMENT
APPROACH

DOCUMENT
LIBRARY

SOLUTIONS
FINDER

CALC TOOL

NEW TOOLS

Purpose

For federal acquisition professionals seeking to save time and effort with their market research, requirements development, work statements and more, the **Professional Services Digital Tools on the Acquisition Gateway** session is a fast-paced training course that will provide an overview of the array of easy to use digital tools on the Gateway.

Objectives

- Learn about our Agile approach to product development
- Learn how/when to use CALC, the Document Library, and the Solutions Finder
- Get a first glimpse of some new tools on the horizon.

Background / Overview

➤ Who are we?

- The Professional Services Category Management Division (PSCM) – supporting FAS and Government-wide category management

➤ What are we doing?

- Creating Digital Tools that simplify the acquisition process for our federal customers.

➤ Why are we doing this?

- Provide valuable tools and resources
- Simplify the acquisition process
- Open access to data and information
- Enhance the success of federal procurements

Development Approach

➤ User-Centered Design

- Continuous user feedback/input in product design and functionality
- User testing sessions

➤ Agile Scrum

- Product Owner – representing the voice of stakeholders and end-user requirements
- Scrum Master – servant leader and coach,
- Development Team – the cross-functional, self-managing team that develops working increments of the product

Agile Scrum Framework

Inputs from End-Users, Customers, Stakeholders, Team



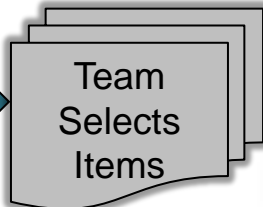
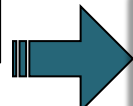
Product Owner



Development Team



Product Backlog



Sprint Backlog



Scrum Master



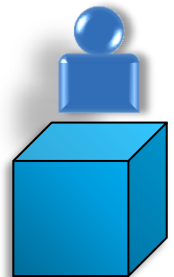
Daily Scrum Meeting

Every 24 Hours

1 – 4 Week Sprint



Sprint end date and sprint goals do not change



Finished Work
(potentially releasable)

Document Library

➤ Almost 250 templates and examples of a broad set of acquisition documents:

- SOWs
- PWSs
- SOOs
- QASPs
- Requirements
- And more...

➤ Searchable

➤ Filter Results

The screenshot displays the 'Acquisition Gateway' Document Library interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Acquisition Gateway', a search icon, 'Tools', and 'Category Management'. The left sidebar, titled 'Document Library', contains a search bar with 'agile' and a list of filters: 'Applied Filters' (Term: agile), 'Filter By' (Document Type, Agency, Acquisition Stage, Format, Contract Type), and 'Document Type' (Performance Work Statement, Contract Type, Unknown). The main content area shows 'Displaying 12 of 12 documents.' with a 'Reset' button and a 'Share' link. The first document, 'Agile Training', is a Microsoft Word document titled 'Agile Training SOW AGILE TRAINING AND COACHING 9.0 PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT: 9.1 OVERARCHING and ...'. It has a 'Performance Work Statement' document type, 'Requirements Determination' acquisition stage, and 'Sample' format. It includes tags like 'Agile', 'Agile Training', 'Scrum', 'software design', 'Development', 'enterprise systems', 'methodologies', 'iterations', 'cross functional team', 'Information Technology', and 'IT Outsourcing'. It was uploaded on 11/19/2014, has 16 views, and 37 downloads. The second document, 'Agile Services for the Enterprise', is a Statement of Work document titled 'Agile Services for the Enterprise Statement ... Agile has emerged as the leading industry software development approach, and has seen growing adoption across the federal government. Agile ...'. It has a 'Statement of Work' document type, 'Acquisition Planning' acquisition stage, and 'Sample' format. It includes tags like 'Information Technology', 'IT Consulting', 'Professional Services', 'Business Administration', 'PWS', 'SOO', 'GWAC', 'Alliant', 'Planning', 'Statement of Work (SOW)', and 'Performance Work Statement'. It was uploaded on 12/21/2015, has 43 views, and 101 downloads.

Solutions Finder

➤ 230+ acquisition solutions available across government to meet your needs:

- BPAs
- GWACs
- MACs
- Shared Services
- License agreements
- And more...

➤ Lots of helpful filters

➤ Keyword search

The screenshot displays the 'SOLUTIONS FINDER' web application. The top navigation bar includes 'Acquisition Gateway', a search icon, 'Tools', and 'Category Management'. The main header shows 'Showing 165 results of 232' with 'Reset' and 'Share' links. The left sidebar contains a 'Keyword Search' box and a list of filters: 'Applied Filters' (GSA), 'My Agency', 'Program Type', 'Solution Type', and 'Category'. Below these are buttons for 'Results to CSV' and 'Prices Paid Portal'. The main content area lists three solutions:

- 18F**: Managed By: GSA (SSO). Description: Providing user-centered design, built using agile methodology. 18F helps federal agencies adopt modern approaches to managing and delivering digital services. We're federal employees, like you. But we're also a team of designers, product ... Fee: Varies by task, please contact POC. Availability: All DoD and Civilian Agencies.
- 8(a) STARS II**: Managed By: GSA (GWAC). Description: This small business set-aside GWAC provides flexible access to customized IT solutions from a large, diverse pool of 8(a) industry partners. Fee: 0.75%. Availability: All DoD and Civilian Agencies.
- AbilityOne**: Managed By: AO (MS). Description: The AbilityOne Program is a Federal initiative to help people who are blind or ... Fee: Varies (embedded in catalog price). Availability: All DoD and Civilian Agencies.

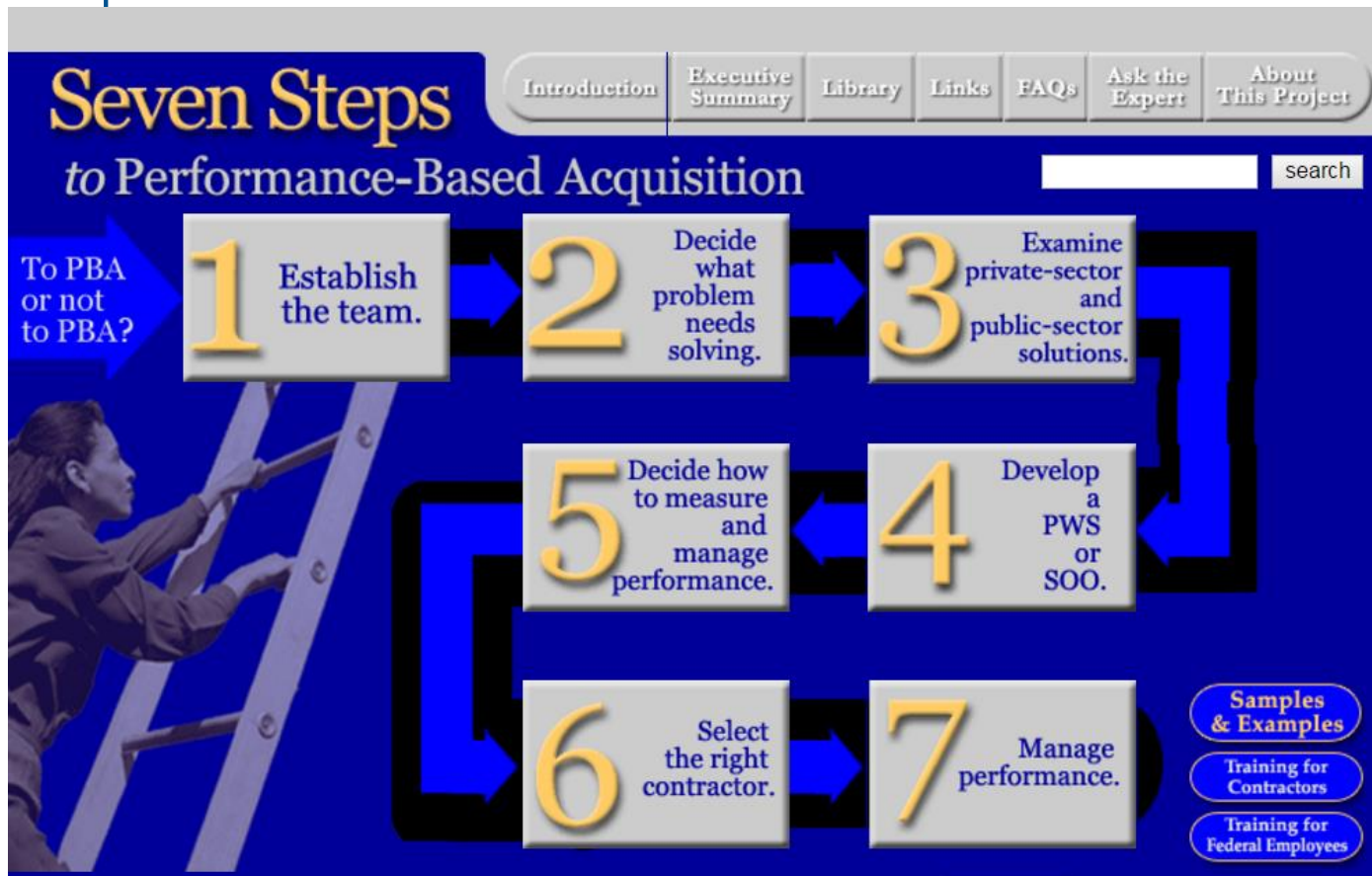
CALC - Contract Awarded Labor Category Tool

- CALC searches awarded hourly rate prices on GSA's Multiple Award Schedules including:
 - Professional Services Schedule
 - IT Schedule 70
- Returns a comparable table based on search criteria and filters
- Assists CO's with Market Research



New Tools – Coming This Year

- **Steps to Performance Based Acquisition** – refreshed and updated



New Tools – Coming Soon

- **CALC Tool** on the Acquisition Gateway
 - Gateway User Interface
 - Leverage existing CALC databases
 - Independent Government Cost Estimate functionality to be added
 - Integration with the Acquisition Gateway's Project Center and other Gateway Apps
- Expanding the **Discovery Tool** beyond OASIS
 - Incorporating other contracts (BPAs, GWACS, etc.)
 - Possible Gateway User Interface

How YOU can get involved...

There are few places in government where we can have such a direct impact on the technology we have to make our jobs easier and more effective, and this is one place you can make a huge difference:

- Participate in product user testing
- Share suggestions for valuable new tools
- Suggest additional features or functionality for existing tools
- Explore the Acquisition Gateway and provide feedback
- Invite others to participate and join the community

Contact Us

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Sign-Up to Participate:

<https://goo.gl/jYEKtl>

Join us on the Acquisition Gateway

<https://hallways.cap.gsa.gov/app/#/gateway/professional-services>

Join the Professional Services Community on Interact

<https://interact.gsa.gov/groups/professionalservicescategory>